

## Declaration of Intent

The Committee of Management of the Irish Forestry Unit Trust (IForUT) give authority to the IForUT Administration and Forest Management staff:

- ***To manage the Trusts forestry lands in compliance with the international benchmarks of the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes (PEFC).***
- ***To enter the Trust's forestry lands under a Multiple FMU (Forest Management Unit) PEFC Licence administered by the IForUT Forest Management Staff.***
- ***To maintain the integrity of the Multiple FMU PEFC licence issued by the certification body***

This Declaration of Intent is a commitment on behalf of the Unit Holders to the management principles that are conducive with:

- Develop our forests in a way that is both environmentally sensitive, socially beneficial and economically sustainable;
- Choose to independently verify that Sustainable Forest Management is being practiced in our forests through the Forest Certification Process;
- Undertake to work with our stakeholders towards full compliance with Irish Forestry standards;
- Comply with applicable legal requirements and the Irish Standards for Forest Management Certification;
- Strive to achieve compliance with the PEFC Standard;
- Abide by the Forest Service Code of Best Forest Practice, Standards for Felling and Reforestation, Afforestation and related guidelines on Water Quality, Archaeology, Landscape, Biodiversity among others; and
- Strive for continuous improvement of forestry practices.



Signed: .....  
Brendan Lacey, Managing Director.